

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 20-A: EDUCATION
Chapter 119: UNORGANIZED TERRITORY

§3272. TRUANCY; EXCUSABLE ABSENCES

1. Truancy.

[2011, c. 614, §9 (RP) .]

2. Truancy. A person is truant if:

A. The person is required to attend school or alternative instruction and has completed grade 6 under this chapter and has the equivalent of 10 full days of unexcused absences or 7 consecutive school days of unexcused absences during a school year; or [2007, c. 304, §1 (NEW) .]

B. The person is required to attend school or alternative instruction and is at least 7 years of age and has not completed grade 6 under this chapter and has the equivalent of 7 full days of unexcused absences or 5 consecutive school days of unexcused absences during a school year. [2011, c. 2, §17 (COR) .]

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3. Excusable absence. A person's absence is excused when the absence is for the following reasons:

A. Personal illness; [1985, c. 490, §8 (NEW) .]

B. An appointment with a health professional that must be made during the regular school day and the absence has prior approval; [2007, c. 304, §2 (AMD) .]

C. Observance of a recognized religious holiday when the observance is required during the regular school day and the absence has prior approval; [2007, c. 304, §2 (AMD) .]

D. A family emergency; or [1985, c. 490, §8 (NEW) .]

E. A planned absence for a personal or educational purpose that has prior approval. [2007, c. 304, §2 (AMD) .]

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4. Adult responsibility. Any adults having a person of compulsory school age under their control shall cause the person to attend school as provided in this section.

[1985, c. 490, §8 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1985, c. 490, §8 (NEW). 1989, c. 415, §5 (AMD). 2007, c. 304, §§1, 2 (AMD). RR 2011, c. 2, §17 (COR). 2011, c. 614, §§9, 10 (AMD).

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